GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD Department – Allegations of irregularities committed in regularization of services of JABCs/BCs by indulging in corrupt practices in East Godavari District – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent, Thondagi (M), (now retired) – Inquiry Conducted – Charges held proved – Imposition of penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently, under Rule 9 of APRPR, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.217 **Dated:11/03/2024.**

Read the following:-

1. From the G.A(V&E) Dept V&E Report No.170(2309/V&E/D2/2004), dated:30.12.2006.
2. Govt. Memo. No.9502/Vig.IV.A/A2/2007-3, Dated:05/09/2007.
3. From the CPR&RE, Hyd., Charge Memo. No.6833/CPR/E2.VIG/06, dt:14.11.2007
4. From the CPR&RE, Hyd., Memo. No. 6833/CPR/E2.VIG/06, dt:27.11.2007
5. G.O.Rt.No.933, PR&RD (VIG.IV) Dept., dt:28.05.2012.
6. From the GA(COI-P) Department, D.O. Lr.No.190/COI-P/ 2012-3, dated:11.01.2013.
7. Govt. Memo. No.9502/Vig.IV/A1/2007, Dated:23/05/2013.
8. Representation, dt:22.06.2013 of Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent, Thondagi (M), (now retired).
9. Govt. Memo. No. 9502/Vig.IV/A1/2007, Dated:16/01/2014.
10. Representation, dt:13.02.2014 of Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent, Thondagi (M) (now retired).

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General (V&E), A.P., has conducted the inquiry with regard to certain irregularities committed in regularization of services of Junior Assistants cum Bill Collectors/Bill Collectors by indulging in corrupt practices in East Godavari District and recommended to initiate departmental action against certain Panchayat Raj employees in East Godavari District and staff of Head Office of Panchayat Raj Department, from the cadre of the District Panchayat Officer, to Panchayat Secretary. Accordingly, the Commissioner, PR&RE, Hyderabad, has been requested to take necessary action as per the recommendations of G.A(V&E) Department, vide reference 2nd read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, among others, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, has issued Article of charges against Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District, under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991. The Charged Officer has submitted his Written Statement of Defense duly denying the charges framed against him and requested to drop further action against him.

3. After examination of the Written Statement of Defense submitted by the Charged Officer and as it was not convinced, the Government, entrusted the case to the Commissionerate of Inquiries, wherein appointed Sri Dr. Prem Chand IAS(Retired), Member, Commissioner of Inquiries as an Inquiry Authority to conduct common inquiry into the charges framed against all the charged officers, including Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), vide G.O. 5th read above.

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4. In the reference 6th read above, the Inquiry Authority has submitted the enquiry report, stating that the charges framed against the Charged Officer, Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District, are held proved. A copy of Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer, to offer his explanation if any, vide reference 7th read above.

5. In the reference 8th read above, the Charged Officer, Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District has submitted a representation, requesting the kind authorities/Government, to exonerate him from the charges.

6. After careful examination of the matter, the Government, provisionally decided to impose penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently, under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 against the Charged Officer, Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District and accordingly, a show cause Notice has been issued to the Charged Officer, for his explanation on the proposed punishment, vide reference 9th read above.

7. In the reference 10th read above, the Charged Officer, Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District has submitted a representation, requesting to descend the proposed punishment by considering his submissions as the discretionary powers vested with the authorities on the humanitarian grounds.

8. After examination of the findings of the Inquiry Authority and representation submitted by the charged officer Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District, the Government have decided to impose punishment of 5% cut in pension permanently, under Rule 9 of APRPR, 1980 against Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District, as the charge is held proved on the allegation of irregularities committed in regularization of services of JABCs/BCs by indulging in corrupt practices.

9. Accordingly, the Government hereby order imposing the punishment of 5% cut in pension permanently against Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent (now retired), Thondagi (M), East Godavari District, under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

10. The Commissioner, PR&RD, A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur Dist., shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri V. Krishna Murthy, the then MDPO (FAC), and Superintendent, Thondagi (M) (now retired)(through the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj)
The Commissioner, PR&RD, A.P., Tadepalli, with a request to obtain and furnish the dated acknowledgment of the orders)
Copy to:
The Chief Executive Officer, ZPP, Kakinada, East Godavari District (erstwhile).
The Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The District Treasury Office, Kakinada.
The OSD to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister (PR&RD).
The PS to Principal Secretary (FAC), (PR&RD)
SF/SC.

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